



CHARLES WRIGHT
Nixon's attorney

Impeachment Drive Slows As Nixon Gives Up Tapes

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Nixon's promise to surrender nine Watergate tapes has blunted an impeachment initiative, but hasn't stilled calls for a new special prosecutor.

Nixon worked today at his mountaintop retreat at Camp David, Md., on a television address to be delivered tonight at 9 p.m. EDT.

He was expected to appeal for national unity in the wake of Tuesday's startling aboutface, when he surprised even his closest advisers by deciding to obey a federal appeals court order on the tapes.

Nixon's action last week to seek a compromise on the tapes issue was viewed at the White House as a generous offer and it was thought the public would agree, White House lawyer

Charles Alan Wright said. "Obviously, that was a miscalculation," he said.

White House Chief of Staff Alexander M. Haig Jr. denied that fear of impeachment played a part in the decision to surrender the tapes.

Haig said he was "very con-

fident" that Nixon would have escaped impeachment even if he had not agreed to supply the tapes and said there is no chance at all of impeachment now.

Meanwhile, today the House of Representatives continued a preliminary impeachment

inquiry, begun just before Nixon's lawyers announced that the tapes would be given to a federal judge.

House leaders said the probe would continue at least until the effects of Nixon's action become known.

It was clear, however, that

initial reaction to the President's reversal was favorable.

"Thank God," said Sen. Barry Goldwater, R-Ariz. "I'm glad it came to pass," said Democratic Chairman Robert

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JUDGE JOHN J. SIRICA
He gets tapes

UFO's Cause Big Stevensville Stir

Several hundred UFOs were observed in the Stevensville area at mid-day Tuesday. At least they were UFOs to some witnesses until the phenomena were explained.

The objects were helium-filled balloons released by students of Stewart elementary school, 2750 Orchard lane, in the Lakeshore district. Mission of the balloons was to promote National Education Week.

Miss Carol Spear, a first grade teacher at Stewart, said about

300 balloons of various colors went up. They carried messages like "School Is Fun" and other slogans describing the advantages of education.

But with reports of unidentified flying objects sweeping the south and midwest, some persons didn't get the message and there were calls to various agencies inquiring about UFOs.

Miss Spear explained other Lakeshore elementary schools will be releasing balloons this week as part of National Education Week.

SECOND MIDEAST TRUCE FAILS

Egypt Mounts Attack To Free Trapped Forces

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

The Israeli military command charged that the Egyptians launched a strong air and armored attack on the Suez front today even as U.N. truce observers headed for the battle lines to enforce the second attempt at a Middle East ceasefire.

The Egyptian counter-offensive was mounted to save Cairo's forces on the eastern bank of the Suez Canal from encirclement by Israeli tanks

and troops doubling back from their penetration into Egypt west of the waterway, Tel Aviv claimed.

The reported fighting came only a few hours after Israeli Defense Minister Moshe Dayan announced the new ceasefire was in effect and seemed to be "working properly."

There was no immediate word from Cairo. But the Israeli claims of renewed combat appeared to jeopardize the already precarious truce, reiterated by

the U.N. Security Council on Tuesday night after its first ceasefire collapsed in furious fighting.

The Israeli reports did not pinpoint the area of combat but indicated it was at the southern end of the canal near Suez city.

An earlier communique from Cairo claimed the Israelis tried to cut the main road to Cairo near Suez city "but our forces are preventing him by force from accomplishing his objective."

The Israelis said 15 Egyptian fighter planes were shot down in dogfights over the battleground.

The Israelis earlier said their invasion force had pushed south from its foothold midway up the canal, moving along the western bank of the canal past Suez city at the waterway's southern end in an attempt to cut off the Egyptian 3rd Army on the eastern bank.

Egypt charged the Israelis made the gains by taking advantage of the first ceasefire attempt Monday and Tuesday nights.

Israeli spokesmen claimed their invasion tanks and artillery now dominate the main Egyptian supply routes from Cairo east to Ismailia and from Cairo southeast to Suez city.

Egypt, which called for the Security Council session that produced the second U.S.-Soviet truce proposal, did not formally announce its acceptance of the



A PERCH IN THE PARK: Hundreds of birds swarm over Benton Harbor's Jean Klock park Tuesday for an overnight stop during their migration south. Lou Awodey, naturalist at Sarett Nature

center, didn't see the flight but gave an opinion the birds are probably combinations of grackles, red-winged blackbirds and cowbirds. (David Arndt photo)

new ceasefire this morning.

But the head of the U.N. truce observers in Cairo, Col. Ake Bendrik of Sweden, confirmed that Egypt had accepted the 7 a.m. — 1 a.m. EDT — halt. He

said he had transmitted the Egyptian acceptance to Israel and the truce was officially put into effect with the accord of both Suez adversaries.

Syria, which ignored the first

cease-fire call, announced it also accepted the new truce, but on condition that Israel withdraw "from all Arab territories occupied in June 1967 and thereafter, and on the basis of

guaranteeing the rights of the Palestinian people."

Syria's front with Israel — about 20 miles beyond the 1967

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Mother Warned To Support Kids

Berrien Circuit Judge Chester J. Byrns, for the first time in his memory, Tuesday found a woman in contempt of court and placed her on two-year probation for failure to make child support payments.

Found in contempt for a support arrearage of about \$750 owed for five children in Berrien county was Pierrette McCoy, of 631 Colfax, Benton Harbor. The children are currently in the custody of their father, Jimmie McCoy.

Beside probation, Mrs. McCoy was ordered to execute a wage assignment plus pay \$5 on the arrearage. Her weekly support payments were reduced slightly to \$57 retroactive to last summer.

Byrns said the "age of equal rights" created by the courts and legislature has put women in the same status as men. "This means the same obligations which includes contributing to support of children when the spouse has custody."



DAVE ARNOLD
Speaks at SJ

Deer Expert Predicts Veto Will Stand

BY JOHN VANDENHEEDE
Conservation Editor

The boiling Upper Peninsula antlerless deer hunting controversy is becoming like a lightning rod, says Department of Natural Resources whitetail expert Dave Arnold.

"The thing is attracting all the discontent in the state of Michigan," declared Arnold at Tuesday night's Whirlpool Sportsmen's Club meeting in the St. Joseph Holiday Inn. "Anyone that is mad at the governor is focusing on the issue. And anyone that is mad at the DNR is focusing on the is-

sue."

Arnold is still hopeful that his hunting program for this November's season will survive attempts to override Milliken's veto when it comes up for a vote Thursday.

"I've got a gut feeling that the House will uphold the governor's veto and we will have an antlerless season," stated Arnold.

The Senate voted last Thursday to override the veto by a 27-6 margin, with Sen. Charles Zollar of Benton Harbor being one of the six supporting Milliken's decision.

The uproar started when the Natural Resources Commission voted in July to allow a harvest of 3,350 antlerless animals in the Upper Peninsula, after a year where there was very little shooting of does and fawns allowed. The Legislature fought back with a bill prohibiting the U.P. antlerless hunt, but Milliken vetoed it, noting that deer management should be left in the hands of biologists and not politicians.

The DNR contends that the deer must be harvested to avoid possible starvation in a hard winter. The department says

there was an excellent fawn crop this past spring, but the range in the eastern U.P. can't carry added whitetails. The other side says past antlerless seasons are the reason for fewer deer, so fawns and does must now be protected so the herd will grow.

"The thing has gotten way out of proportion to the biological issue," added Arnold, while noting that the Michigan DNR is probably influenced more by the legislature than the department of natural resources in any other state.

Arnold says he talks to about

10,000 sportsmen a year across the state and 80 per cent of them support the DNR's deer program. He urged interested persons to make their feelings on the issue known to their Representatives before Thursday's vote, which if successful would mark the first gubernatorial veto overthrow in 22 years. "Our job is to convince you, so you can convince them," the 22-year DNR veteran told the Whirlpool Sportsmen's Club members.

Arnold admitted the DNR hasn't been getting the job done in making deer management

clear to all the people. He said major changes are already being planned so the average citizen will better understand biological reasoning.

One way of establishing more "credibility" would be required. (See back page, sec. 1, col. 8)

If you know the whereabouts of an injured owl or hawk, call 926-8845. Adv.

Residents Alarmed By 'Man With Gun'

Several police cars from Benton Harbor and Benton township speedily converged on a parking lot Tuesday evening after receiving an alarming report of a man with a gun.

They found a man with a gun — a hunter who was just returning home, carrying a disassembled shotgun. He was surprised at all the commotion and was released when police found everything in order — no gun violation and a legal hunting license.

It was not known if he had bagged any game. The commotion occurred in a parking lot at Pipestone and Cherry streets.

Strike Foils Education; Student Sues

DETROIT (AP) — A high school senior has filed a \$12-million class action suit against the Detroit Federation of Teachers, charging the six-week teachers strike will prevent her from starting college in January.

An attorney for Danni R. Stillwell, 18, a student at Martin Luther King High School, said the Wayne County Circuit Court suit seeks damages of \$1,000 for Miss Stillwell and each of 12,632 other Detroit seniors who would have been graduated in January.

"She and all the other students are very disappointed and disgusted at the results of the teacher strike," said her mother, Willa Stillwell.

"The school calendar hasn't even been determined yet and the students don't even know where they are going," she said.

Miss Stillwell had been planning to attend Tuskegee Institute in Alabama. But, the suit says, Miss Stillwell has lost "any oppor-

tunity to go to the college of her choice until September, 1974, if then."

Miss Stillwell's attorney, James E. Wells, said the seniors have missed taking the college board examinations and other college admission procedures because of the strike.

He added the strike will probably keep the seniors from entering colleges and vocational schools or taking jobs until February or March.

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Editorial Page

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Changing The Process
Of Electing A Veep

Time magazine says "It is all done in a 3 a. m. atmosphere by men in shirtsleeves drinking room-service coffee — elated, frantic politicians running on sleeplessness, juggling lists, putting out phone calls, arguing in the bathrooms, trying to make their reluctant minds work wisely as they consider an afterthought: the party's nominee for Vice President of the U.S. It is the worst kind of deadline politics. . . . Thus most vice presidential candidates are too hastily chosen by only one man and his advisors without any real democratic process or sufficient investigation."

Time adds that a running mate is "signed on and presented to the convention with a triumphant but seldom very credible flourish ('Tom who?'—'Spiro who?') all in a matter of hours. It is a procedure that invites error."

Assuming that to be true, several members of Congress, as well as some history professors, are suggesting the method of selecting the vice presidential candidate should be changed.

Michigan's U.S. Senator Robert Griffin this week introduced a resolution in the senate to amend the Constitution as follows:

1. That nominees for Vice President would not be selected at party conventions;

2. That after a Presidential election, but prior to his inauguration, the President-elect would name his choice for Vice President; (and)

3. That the nomination would then be subject to confirmation by both houses of the new Congress which convenes, following the election, in January.

Sen. Griffin's proposal has the very obvious disadvantage of not giving the people a chance to vote for Vice President. Who can say how much or how little the second man on the ticket

sways the outcome of presidential races?

But don't sell Griffin's proposal short. The Michigan senator has a scholarly approach backed by a bulldog tenacity. He has often started slow but finished fast — as with the Justice Abe Fortas ouster.

Nevertheless, the contention that the elective process of nominating vice presidents at party conventions has been all bad is open to question.

Harry Truman and Lyndon Johnson were vice presidents who reached the White House via death of presidents.

So did John Tyler and Teddy Roosevelt. Silent Cal Coolidge and Chester Alan Arthur.

These may not be everyone's favorite president, but by and large they were at least as good as average chief executives. History rates some — like HST and Teddy — as very good.

John Adams, distinguished by any standard, was a vice president before he became the second president of the United States.

Once there was a hue and cry about Andy Johnson, who succeeded to the presidency after Lincoln's assassination. Later historians rate him as a courageous, decent man victimized by the problems and inherited vendettas of Reconstruction.

Spiro Agnew's disgrace and Tom Eagleton's unfortunate, hidden history of mental illness are enough to require fluoroscoping all vice presidential candidates in the glare of national TV before the conventions take a nominating ballot. But to change the entire method of selection, to take the election of vice president away from the people — that's a question that needs pondering.

The general quality of successor vice presidents doesn't suggest the system has been all that bad.

Turning Back The Clock
And Energy Conservation

The autumn ritual of turning back the hands of time — for those who don't forget — will arrive this year on SUNDAY, OCT. 28, at 2 a. m., when standard time again takes effect. It will be observed in all states except Arizona, Hawaii and part of Indiana, which have chosen under the Uniform Time Act of 1966 to remain on daylight saving time (DST). But energy conservation is "in" this year, and some people have suggested that if daylight saving time really saves daylight, then it might also save

The argument goes that if people had another hour of daylight before dusk, they would turn on fewer lights and thus conserve electricity. Year-round daylight saving time was declared during both World Wars in an effort to save a watt or two.

Unfortunately, the energy-conservation potential of permanent DST sounds logical but seems to have been exaggerated. A recent study by the Department of Transportation, the Federal Power Commission and the Office of Emergency Management concluded that year-round DST would reduce nationwide electricity demand by less than 2 per cent.

In the Pacific Northwest, where critical hydroelectric power shortages loom because of an extremely dry summer, the Bonneville Power Administration has calculated that retaining DST would bring an annual saving of only one-tenth of one per

cent of energy supply. The difference between today and the war years is that electric heating and air conditioning, not lighting, account for peak energy demands.

But even if year-round DST won't save energy, it might save lives. Traffic statistics show that most bad accidents occur in darkness, particularly in evening hours when commuters and drinkers are on the road. When Britain went on year-round DST from October 1968 through October 1971, motor vehicle fatalities and serious accidents decreased by 3.8 per cent. In addition, some believe that DST would help reduce crime, most of which occurs after dark.

But the opposition to daylight saving time is vehement. Farmers claim it upsets their cows' milking schedules. Parents protest that their children must go to school in the dark. Fundamentalists maintain that it disrupts natural laws.

As Samuel E. Stokes Jr. of Aistead, N.H., wrote in a letter to The New York Times (Oct. 18, 1973): "Winter days are short no matter what one tries to do to time. Plants and man open up as light comes to earth, and they close or stop work as darkness descends. Let us follow this natural pattern by maintaining the present system instead of trying to play God."

Greater Safety
For Bicyclists

News for bicyclists comes from the National Association of Manufacturers: "A new reflective tire will be available . . . (soon) for bicyclists. The tire will feature a highly reflective sidewall which can be seen clearly up to 500 yards away, and is expected to increase the safety of the 85 million bike riders. When the auto's headlight beams hit the sidewalls, the two big bright circles tell the driver immediately it's a bicycle. During daylight hours the tire looks like a regular whitewall."

Loggers and foresters have recorded Douglas fir 330 feet high, 45 feet around the trunk, and more than 1,400 years old, each containing enough lumber to build 10 two-bedroom frame houses.



GLANCING BACKWARDS

NEW AMERICANS
SHOULD SET EXAMPLE

— 1 Year Ago —

Nineteen persons from nine countries were welcomed to U.S. Citizenship Tuesday in St. Joseph with a plea that they set an example that will jar native-born Americans from selfishness and apathy that's destroying the nation.

Judge Chester J. Byrns, presiding over a naturalization ceremony in Berrien circuit court, delivered an address laying blame for corruption and decay at the feet of citizens who fail to put country above self, fail to keep themselves in-

formed and vote wisely, and fail to act against racism, violence, corruption, and poverty.

UCF DRIVE
GOES OVER TOP

— 10 Years Ago —

With one of its most dramatic climaxes in history, United Community Fund last night soared past its goal and broke virtually every existing campaign record in history. The barrier stood at \$397,000 and only a day earlier the UCF team had been given little chance of pushing over the winning score.

Last night, at a UCF achievement rally at the Whit-

comb hotel, Campaign Chairman Richard S. Rice announced the final result: Total pledges of \$403,067 or 101.5 per cent of the goal.

NEW PRODUCTS
BACK IN OPERATION

— 29 Years Ago —

Announcement was made this morning by Donald J. Hotchkis, chairman of the New Products, Union, that a walk-out which occurred Tuesday at the corporation's plant on Willow drive, Benton Harbor, had been settled pending adjustment of the grievances involved regarding rate cuts.

The bargaining committee met with the management yesterday, and after seven hours some understanding was reached.

ADMITTED TO COURT

— 33 Years Ago —

Atty. Carl E. Schultz has been admitted to practice in the Berrien county circuit court. Atty. Schultz, who graduated in 1927 from St. Joseph high school, and from the University of Michigan this year, will open a law office in the Commercial National bank building.

CONSIDERING BUREAU

— 49 Years Ago —

The St. Joseph Retail Merchants association is considering establishment of a twin city credit bureau, aimed to establish credit rating of everyone in the two owns and in the neighboring countryside.

GUARD TOWS TO PORT

— 59 Years Ago —

With part of her sails blown away, and drifting helplessly off Muskegon harbor, the schooner Isolda Bock, owned by Ludwig brothers of Benton Harbor and South Haven, was picked up by the local coast guard and towed into port. The schooner was loaded with cedar logs. Voscoe Roberts of St. Joseph commanded the vessel.

EXHIBITED IN CHICAGO

— 83 Years Ago —

About a dozen pictures in oils and water colors, representing St. Joseph landscapes, are on exhibit at the Chicago exhibit.

SAYS TAPES DEAL
WAS WRONG

Editor,

Today, Sunday, Oct. 21, 1973, I wrote the following letter to Mr. Sam Ervin, chairman of the Special Senate Election Reform Investigation Committee (Watergate Committee). I hope that others who are unhappy with the actions of our present administration will also write their representatives to express their opinions.

Dear Mr. Ervin:

I believe that your (and Mr. Baker's) acceptance of Mr. Nixon's proposal to submit a summary of the tapes led to the firing of Mr. Cox. I don't see how you could have accepted this proposal without the consent of your whole committee anyway!

Today I wish that our government could be dissolved and a new election held. I never believed that a president of our country could be above the law but now it appears that he is capable of taking any action he desires. I don't like it!

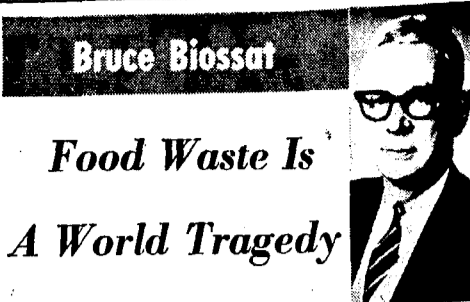
I hope that you and our other elected representatives can put an end to Nixon's disregard for the public trust. I want to live under a representative not a tyrannical government.

Joyce (Sisson) Wilson
1108 Dartmouth Place
Davis, Calif.

Doesn't Take
A Big Truck

TORONTO (AP) — Police detectives, inquiring into the theft of \$850 worth of meat from a Toronto meat market, asked neighbors if they had seen anyone loitering in the area, especially with a truck. " . . . or even with a medium-sized car," said one detective.

"With the price of meat today, \$850 worth would probably fit into a car trunk without moving the spare tire."



Food Waste Is
A World Tragedy

WASHINGTON (NEA) — When you're down at the supermarket gazing at the staggering figures on the food price scoreboard, remember that the world supply situation today plays a big part. And give a moment's thought, as you roll your chart of golden goodies, to the awful wastage of good crops around the world.

If food grains and other crops were properly stored and marketed the world over, United Nations experts say it would be a major contribution to solving the problem of hunger and, sometimes, famine. The losses at this stage are colossal.

The U.N.'s Food and Agriculture Organization says in a report that, not surprisingly, the tragedy is greatest among 70 developing tropical and subtropical nations with a population upwards of two billion total — and growing apace.

The report estimates that annually, through large areas of the globe, storage and related losses amount to about 30 per cent of harvested crops.

Think of it! Imagine the expense and the labor and the time that go into preparing land, seeding it, cultivating and irrigating it where necessary, and, finally, harvesting the crop.

Then, picture the carts and wagons and trucks trundling away from the harvested fields, and think of the horror in the fact that nearly a third of the product that rolls away will never reach a hungry or needy consumer's hand. In an age of shortages, hunger, outright famine, outrageous prices for food and fiber, it is incredible.

And, again, remember, that it is happening mostly in the poor countries where the need for uplift is greatest.

In an early September report, I spoke of man's endless and ruthless assault upon the land through ages of overgrazing, overcropping, and misuse of water (including priceless irrigation water.) The aim in part: To show that ecological recklessness, a big cry today leveled too often just at large, highly visible offenders, is as old as history.

But the harvest wastage is surely as bad. What happens?

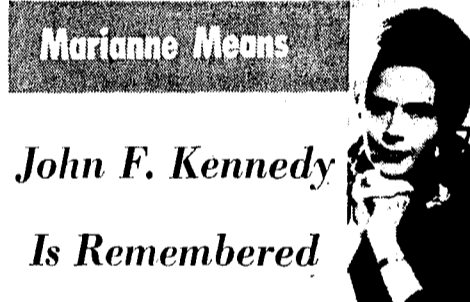
Large volumes of grain and other crops are destroyed at various post-harvest stages by rodents and insects. Even the affluent lands in temperate zones are not spared. In this country, grain storage losses are figures at 15 to 23 million tons a year, some 7 million to rats, the rest to insects.

In some Latin and Asian lands, storage and related losses come each year to 50 per cent of a harvested crop. Worldwide, FAO estimates an annual loss of 10 per cent of all stored grain.

Bad handling; drying and transportation practices account for assorted kinds of spoilage which usually ruins crops for consumption. Deterioration can produce weight loss, but also damaging chemical changes.

It's cruel to hear, knowing the disease peril, but the FAO says that "in many countries the presence of insects and other contaminants in stored food has become an accepted phenomenon."

Ignorance, indifference, and sometimes malpractice are the root causes of this terrible waste, and these handicaps may be exhibited by the farmer himself, the field handlers, the large organizations which store and transport harvested crops both overland and by water.



John F. Kennedy
Is Remembered

WASHINGTON (KFS) — There is still one month left in the decade that began with the assassination of President John F. Kennedy.

It may be nostalgia, greed or the indisputable fact that a great deal remains to be explained about the Kennedy era and the incredible events of the intervening ten years, but the commercial tributes mourning that historic trauma are premature here.

The November issue of nearly every major magazine contains a look back at the Kennedy Presidency, and most of them are already on the newsstands. CBS has scheduled a 90-minute special on the subject, which the network is currently promoting. Jacqueline Kennedy Onassis has broken her nine-year silence on the former President in McCall's magazine with comments she wrote in longhand herself that begin "He would be older now."

There is also a new book of heretofore unpublished photographs of the Kennedy family taken by then-White House photographer Cecil Stoughton, called "The Memories — JFK 1961-1963." It contains some sentimental surprises even for those who think they have already seen more pictures than they can stomach of the handsome Kennedy family.

The world has changed dramatically since John Kennedy went innocently to be killed in Dallas nearly ten years ago. Those Communist puppets 90 miles from our shores who nearly drove us into World War III are growing sugar cane relatively peacefully. The space program, which was Kennedy's special pride, is now the Federal budget item most Americans vote to eliminate first.

Equal rights for blacks was a dream unfulfilled; equal rights for women was still a joke.

The Latin American self-help program and the Peace Corps now exist more in rhetoric than in fact. And that first-term House Minority Leader who could be so irritating in Kennedy's final year is the new Vice Presidential nominee of the United States.

The war in Vietnam toward which Kennedy was edging us nearly tore the country in two before it could be controlled. And Kennedy's own Vice President, who performed so superbly in the assassination crisis, was buried not long ago with his boots still on but his place in history in doubt.

Kennedy's private life was so unconventional that it was far more interesting than most of his public life. Now we have a President whose private life is a bore but whose public life is unconventional, to say the least.

New Use

TORONTO (AP) — The Toronto Transit Commission is studying a proposal to use subway trains to move goods as well as people.

In off-peak hours, suggests TTC Commissioner Crawford Smyth, container goods could be loaded at any subway terminal for speedy delivery in the city.

BERRY'S WORLD



"It's not so much a question of what happened, but whose PR people you believe — Arab or Israeli!"

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Mitchell Appointed Public Works Chief

The appointment of Dwight (Pete) Mitchell as director of the Benton Harbor public services (formerly public works) department was announced

today by City Manager Charles A. Morrison. Mitchell, 36, succeeds Andrew A. Antonovich, 48, a 25-year employee of Benton Harbor, who

has been named plant manager in charge of administration for the Twin Cities sewage treatment plant.

Mitchell, whose salary was set at \$16,000, joined the city of Benton Harbor in August, 1972, in a new post of assistant director of public services. Antonovich had reported retirement intentions at that time, and Mitchell was to train for the post.

The assistant director's post has now been terminated.

The public services department handles vital areas of the city, including streets and park maintenance. It has the largest operating budget of any department, \$1,013,000; and its 49 employees make it the third largest in personnel, behind the police and water departments.

Antonovich, in his new post, is an employee of the Benton Harbor-St. Joseph joint sewer board. His salary will be \$16,500. Antonovich also will receive a city pension.

Mitchell is a native of Benton Harbor and a 1954 graduate of Benton Harbor high school. He is a graduate of the Lake Michigan college industrial management school.

Mitchell for 10 years was employed by Bendix Corp. hydraulics division, south of St. Joseph, where duties included production supervisor. More recently, Mitchell served as manpower coordinator for the local Model Cities program. Mitchell and his wife, Catherine, have four children.

Antonovich spent his first 14 years as a Benton Harbor employee in the water department. He then served nearly seven years as treasurer and has headed the public works department since 1969.



OPEN NEWEST GENTRY SHOP: Warren Van Osdal, president of The Gentry Shop, Inc., cuts traditional ribbon in front of the store's new and larger home in the Village Square, Stevensville. From left are Greg Longpre, Jim Schueneman, Linda Bansen, Kris Kern, Van Osdal, Brian Krueger, Sharrie Chabitch and Ron

Iannelli. Longpre is manager of Stevensville branch of St. Joseph Savings and Loan association and Iannelli represents True Value Hardware and the Village Square group. All of the rest are Gentry Shop personnel. (Staff Photo)

Gentry Shop In Bigger Quarters

Stevensville Firm Keeps Growing

The Gentry Shop which formed the cornerstone as the original store of the Village Square in Stevensville is now ready to be the keystone to its expansion.

The Gentry Shop was the first store in the shopping center that started in 1968.

Since then the men's apparel chain has been growing until now there is a Gentry shop in Buchanan plus a pants, shirts

and belts store called "The Other Place" also in the Village Square.

There's also a new Gentry Shop in the Village Square which has moved to bigger quarters from its original Village Square location.

Manager Jim Schueneman said the new Gentry shop stocks Hart, Schaffner & Marx; Palm Beach and Austin Reed suits and sport coats, Rubin Grays jackets, Haggard slacks, Van Huesen and Gant shirts, Carter Holmes ties and other top brands in accessories and clothing.

Interior decor is masculine with beamed ceiling and plaid carpeting.

The Other Place, owned by The Gentry Shop, Inc., is located just around the corner, and is also new after a fire last December. The original Gentry Shop opened in 1968 followed by the Other Place in August of 1972, the Buchanan store in August of 1973. The Other Place reopened in February.

Staff of the Village Square Gentry Shop includes Warren Van Osdal, president of the corporation; Schueneman and clerks Linda Bansen, Kris Kern, Brian Krueger, Sharrie Chabitch, Steve Palmer and Pam Borgerson. Mrs. Goldie Harterode is tailor.

The Village Square, Inc., has just completed a large addition for more stores.



MASCULINE DECOR: "It's a tie between the shirt and collar" quips Manager Jim Schueneman to clerk Linda Bansen in the new Gentry shop in Village Square, Stevensville. (Staff Photo)



NEW INTERIOR: New quarters for the Gentry Shop in the Village Square, Stevensville, provides considerable more room for display of men's clothing.

Brian Krueger meets Steve Palmer at the entrance of the suit section. (Staff Photo)

Univex Reports Shipments, Sales Set New Records



NEW PRODUCT: Trailer flaps that carry a message or a "Smile" are a new product that show promise for Univex international of Benton township. Heavy duty, virtually indestructible flaps are extruded, cut and silk-screened by the local firm.

Univex International, Ltd., of Benton township scored record sales and record shipments for the first quarter of its fiscal year that ended Sept. 30, according to George F. Snelgrove, president.

Although the firm's first quarter is historically slow, Snelgrove reported incoming orders totaled \$625,000, a 17 per cent increase over the \$531,000 booked in the first quarter of fiscal 1973. Shipments of completed orders added up to \$822,000 this quarter, a 26 per cent gain over the \$651,000 recorded in 1972.

Univex is a major producer of custom decorate looseleaf binders, index tabs and related sales promotion materials.

Snelgrove noted, too, that Univex's backlog of orders as of Sept. 30, was \$514,000, some 47 per cent greater than a \$349,000 figure last year.

The president also reported that a new vacuum forming process is in full operation and

early efforts in marketing truck trailer flaps linings to the trucking industry look promising. Snelgrove added that diversification into other areas will be announced during the second quarter.

A privately owned firm, located at Empire avenue and I-94 and owned by Douglas E. Miller of Englewood, Colo., Univex does not publically report earnings. However, Snelgrove said the record shipments for the first quarter brought the earnings well above the prior year and that the financial condition of the company is excellent.

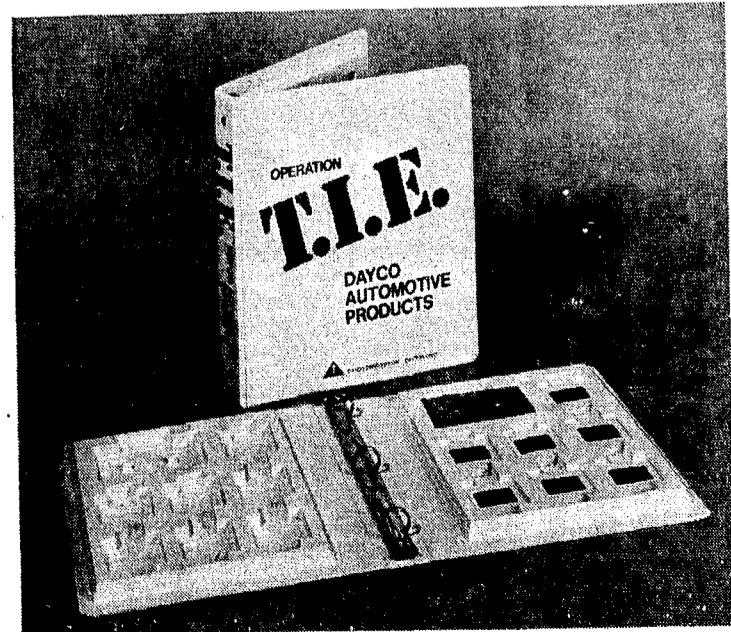
He indicated that shortages of polyolefin resins, vinyl's, ring metals and paper goods may limit production in fiscal 1974, although he said optimistic sales forecast are expected to be met.

Pleads Innocent

Betty Thayer, 33, of Flint, pleaded innocent to a charge of labor law violation when she was arraigned yesterday in Berrien Fifth District court.

She is accused of hiring a minor without a work permit at the D&L advertising agency, 1505 Niles avenue, St. Joseph. She is free on bond pending trial.

LOWERING PRIME -DETROIT (AP) — The Bank of the Commonwealth announced Tuesday it plans to lower its prime interest rate from 10 per cent to 9 3/4 per cent today.



ADDED DIMENSION: New vacuum-forming equipment put in use at Univex plant produces three-dimensional inserts for looseleaf binders. Packaging inserts, 3-D signage and box dividers are a few other new applications Univex is making with new process.

They Didn't Pay Out Anything

A father and son pair of property owners who complained before the Benton Harbor city commission of being forced to furnish high bonds in Fifth District court actually paid nothing for bond, according to District Judge Leo (Pat) Cook.

Judge Cook said today the two men, Alfred Frazier and his son, Clinton, were put on \$1,000 personal recognizance bond when arraigned in Cook's court recently on weed cutting charges brought by City of Benton Harbor.

Defendants are not required to pay or furnish anything when put on personal recognizance bond, the judge said. Only in the event such defendants failed to show up for court would the amount of the bond be assessed against them, the judge explained.

He said the personal recognizance bond is commonly used by judges when the defendants are responsible local residents who are not likely to flee the court's jurisdiction. Judge Cook added that the purpose of bond is not to punish but to insure appearance

in court. Frazier of 871 East Main street, Benton Harbor, and his son, of 1886 Greenly, Benton township are free on the personal recognizance bonds awaiting trial in District court.

They were charged by the city with failure to cut the weeds on two lots they own on North Stevens street in Benton Harbor. They pleaded innocent to the charges in court. They told the Benton Harbor city commission Monday night they received violation tickets two weeks after they had cut the weeds.

Berrien Budget --- 'Just Keeping Up' Taxes Will Remain The Same

BY BRANDON BROWN
Staff Writer

Berrien county commissioners Thursday afternoon are to receive for their action a \$7.88 million 1974 county budget based on the same county tax rate as 1973.

The new budget is not directly comparable to 1973 because the state auditor has eliminated listing state-federal funds for three self-governing units. But if these units are ignored both years, the 1974 budget is 5 per cent higher than 1973.

The 1974 budget, without the self-governing units, is pegged at \$7,886,400. The budget for current 1973 is \$9,604,300, including the self-governing units.

The new budget is most of the county spending iceberg, but not all. Besides cutting out most of the self-governing units, the new budget does not show \$941,328 in 1973-74 federal revenue-sharing to the county.

But the new budget does give the county health department long-sought bigger funds for a

"basic" staff, and it shows the effects of inflation, the energy crisis, the paper pinch and anticipated postal increases, the board's finance committee said.

Kenneth Wendzel, 1974 budget chief, estimated paper, postage, gasoline, electricity, oil, and jail food will cost the county "25 to 30 per cent more than it did a year ago."

The budget would use 5.425 mills — same as 1973 — of county tax against a base of \$900 million (up \$80 million). Thus taxes on higher valuation should raise \$4,597,300, or \$243,800 more than 1973.

Self-governed departments of child care, health and social services totaled \$2,945,900 in 1973 versus \$795,800 in 1974 because of accounting changes. Deducting self-governing units leaves "net" budgets of \$6,659,000 for 1973 and \$7,090,600 for 1974, a 5 per cent boost.

Lad Stacey, chairman of commissioners' finance committee, noted the 1974 final budget is \$161,500 lower than the tentative budget developed last April. He termed it a "very modest" budget covering the county's needs and added: "I think we're just trying to keep up with the times as economically as we can."

Basically, the county's 1974 budget:

—Raises the health department appropriation from \$230,000 to \$349,800 so the department can provide a basic staff without relying heavily on chancy government grants.

—Spends \$239,500 on capital improvements, largely office equipment and furniture but including a new boat for the sheriff's marine division, two cars for tax equalization department, 10 or more new sheriff's cars, better sheriff's radio equipment, new probate court rule books, and trucks for the drain office and canine police.

—Holds \$784,700 in the commissioners' contingency fund for all 1974 pay boosts beyond longevity raises, and for new-hire personnel, the specter of state-ordered improvements at the county jail, unforeseen new juvenile home costs, and an air-conditioned home for the upcoming county computer system.

—Adds \$13,400 more than 1973 to the county parks and recreation commission for parkland, most of it in county commissioner-controlled funds.

—Boosts the county election expense fund \$42,500, a five-fold increase, to cover a general election year.

—Earmarks about \$105,000 extra for county-share insurance, retirement and social security for employees.

—Bumps up district court and cuts circuit court by rearranging charges for court-appointed attorneys, and tacks \$15,000 on district court for paraprofessional probation agents.

—And grants \$25,000 more for higher costs of treating the mentally ill, though officials say this is only half the needed increase.

The budget predicts \$3,289,100 in revenue, down sharply from 1973's \$5,441,400 because the self-governing departments contributed \$2,303,000. The "net" 1973 revenue was \$3,138,400. The net for 1974 is \$150,700 higher, mostly from interest on county deposits.

Commissioners likely will tap their \$784,700 contingency fund Thursday for 1974 pay raises for county department chiefs, and tap it again in December for pay hikes to employees, Stacey said.

The 1974 budget expenditures, including capital improvements, with 1973 figures in parentheses is:

Ambulance, \$1,000 (same).
Animal shelter, \$122,900 (\$117,800).
Board of commissioners, \$149,900 (\$127,400).
Building authority, \$2,400 (same).
Central duplicating, \$41,200 (\$41,900).
Central supply, \$29,800 (\$26,800).
Child care, \$346,000 net, (\$522,900 gross, \$312,900 net).
Circuit court, \$229,800 (\$290,400; '74 lower in part because court-appointed lawyers charged to district court).
Circuit court administration,

\$27,900 (new).
Circuit court reporter, \$78,300 (\$58,300).
Contagious disease, \$84,400 (\$85,300).
Contingencies, \$784,700 (\$301,200).
Cooperative extension service, \$60,000 (\$54,900).
County clerk, \$219,200 (\$182,900).
County coordinator, \$67,400 (\$55,600).
Courthouse and grounds, \$384,700 (\$353,200).
District court, \$643,100 (\$751,800; '74 higher because court-appointed lawyers charged to district, and other factors).
Drain commissioner, \$23,900 (\$24,400).
Drains, county at-large, \$19,000 (\$15,000).
Elections, \$50,500 (\$8,000).
Emergency preparedness, \$23,000 (\$16,000).
Friend of the court, \$87,300 (\$86,100).
Friend of the court state grant, \$42,900 (\$34,000).
Health, \$349,800 net (\$1,571,000 gross, \$230,000 net).
Insurance and bonds, \$219,500 (\$149,000).
Jail and turnkey, \$256,000 (\$246,000).
Jail maintenance, \$101,100 (\$97,400).
Juvenile court, \$250,000 (\$224,000).
Link, Inc., runaway shelter,

\$29,500 (new).
Youth service & assistance bureau grant, \$64,200 (new).
Livestock claims, \$1,500 (same).
Mailing department, \$41,300 (\$35,300).
Medical examiner, \$19,500 (\$15,300).
Mental health, \$175,000 (\$150,000).
Metro narcotic squad grant, \$10,800 (\$25,000).
Other county property, \$16,000 (\$26,700).
Parks and recreation, \$42,200 (\$28,800).
Planning commission, \$47,400 (\$54,600).
Plat board, \$2,100 (\$1,900).
Probate court, \$64,000 (\$155,000) and probate court administration, \$89,300 (zero).
Probation, adult, \$24,200 (\$23,400).
Prosecutor, \$190,800 (\$177,300).
Prosecutor's drug identification center, \$20,900 (\$20,000).
Prosecutor's welfare fraud grant, \$53,500 (\$48,600).
Public works, \$31,600 (\$30,500).
Purchasing department, \$28,800 (\$29,600).
Register of deeds, \$81,300 (\$78,800).
Retirement, county-share, \$150,000 (\$120,000).
Sheriff's cars, \$104,600 (\$71,000).



REVIEW '74 BUDGET: County officials previewed for newsmen Tuesday the 1974 county budget to be presented to county board of commissioners Thursday. They are (from left) Commissioner Carl Gnodtke, County Coordinator Roger Petrie, Commissioner Kenneth Wendzel, and Commissioner Lad Stacey, chairman of finance committee. (Staff photo)

Sheriff's identification bureau grant study, \$19,500 (new).
Sheriff's marine safety, \$44,000 (new, was \$40,000 in sheriff's budget in '73).
Sheriff's office and patrol, \$697,100 (\$732,400, but included marine safety).
Sheriff's radios, \$16,500 (\$17,500).
Sheriff's inmate rehabilitation grant, \$40,000 (new).
Sheriff's snowmobile enforcement, \$3,200 (new).
Sheriff's detail, Lake Michigan college, \$14,500 (\$13,000).
Social security, \$175,000 (\$160,000).
Department of Social Services, \$100,000 net (\$852,000 gross, \$100,000 net).
State institutions, \$243,500 (\$246,000).
Surveyor, \$300 (same).
Tax allocation board, \$1,800 (same).
Tax description office, \$53,300 (\$90,600, but included \$40,000 for data processing).
Tax equalization office, \$99,000 (\$81,000).
Telephone-switchboard, \$30,600 (\$30,000).
Treasurer, \$73,400 (\$72,700).
Veterans' burial, \$42,500 (\$44,500).
Veterans' services, \$20,900 (\$21,100).

Allegan Employees Will Get Raises

ALLEGAN — Allegan county commissioners here yesterday adopted a \$3.2 million budget for 1974. The budget includes salary increases averaging between six and seven per cent for county employees.

The new budget represents an increase of about 10.8 per cent over the present \$2.9 million budget and increases will be financed without an increase in local taxation. Additional tax the county's state equalized

valuation which is now revenue will be received to cover the boost, however, because of a \$33,327,317 increase in property valuation. Local taxes are raised through a tax millage applied against the value.

Employee increases were based on recommendations and a statewide salary study by the Michigan Municipal League, commissioners said.

While the average employee increase was around the six to seven per cent range, some increases were as high as 12 per cent, according to Finance Committee Chairman John Vogelzang of Holland.

Included in the 1974 budget are outlays of \$333,327 for bridge replacement and \$166,663 for the county road fund. Both funds are financed by extra voted millages.

Also yesterday, board members got their first look at Kalamazoo architect Robert Cain's preliminary plans for a new 24,000 square foot building to house the health and welfare departments at the former county farm site on Dumont lake.

The board approved the preliminary plans and also authorized the architect to include a 4,000 square foot extension to the proposed building as an alternative to be considered by firms bidding on the construction contract.

Cain told the commissioners construction costs will be about \$30 per square foot, including carpeting, air conditioning and a paved parking lot.

Landscaping was estimated at \$10,000 and professional fees (the architect's) at \$50,000.

The building project will be financed by \$830,000 in federal revenue sharing funds, part of which will also pay for renovation of offices used by the health department in the present county building.

The board has not yet disclosed their plans for the offices in downtown Allegan presently used by the welfare department.

Traffic Blamed For Death

GALLEN — Death of a Galien man July 27 has been ruled a traffic fatality, according to Berrien sheriff's deputies.

Deputies at Galien substation said the official cause of death of Lawrence Williams, 75, route 1, Elm Valley road, was listed

43 Auto Deaths
in Berrien County in
1973

as pneumonia, resulting from injuries received in the crash.

Williams died at Buchanan Community hospital, where he had been confined since the one-car accident May 24.

Police said that at the time of the accident, Williams did not appear to be seriously injured and had told them he planned to see his family doctor.

Deputies said they were not informed of his hospitalization or death until Monday.

Police said Williams was injured in an accident on Avery road in Weesaw township.

The ruling raises the death toll on county roads to 43 for the year.

Berrien Sued By Probate Staffers

The Berrien county board of commissioners and a probate judge were named in an unfair labor practice charge by the bargaining agent for county juvenile and probate court employees.

A charge of bad-faith bargaining was filed last week against commissioners and Judge Ronald Lange by Michigan Council 55, American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees (AFL-CIO) on behalf of some 40 to 50 employees, according to Robert Chittenden, Council 55 staff representative.

It alleges the parties reached total agreement on a first contract sometime last June, returned to amend a longevity clause, and the county side since has failed to implement the contract and has insisted on negotiating "the entire contract over again," he said.

The charge was filed with the Michigan Employment Relations Commission in Detroit, he said. MERC will assign a trial examiner, set a hearing date, hear both sides and make a determination if there was an unfair labor practice. If an unfair practice is determined, MERC could tell the employer to implement the contract, Chittenden said.

The charge is mainly against Judge Lange because he is considered the employer on the basis of a Bay City case, Chittenden said.

The parties have twice agreed on wage terms, but Judge Lange has "refused to implement it," Chittenden said.

Council 55 was contacted by court employees last November, won an election in December and was certified sole bargaining agent for some 40 to 50 probate and juvenile court employees, he said.

Council 55 began negotiating with Judge Lange in January with an attorney from the county board at the table, he said. Parties agreed on a contract about July. Judge Lange wanted to get county board of commissioner approval, but neither he nor the board have acted, Chittenden said.

The union is willing to review the contract and change some language, but not the intent, he added.

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